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Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 of the specification with the following paragraph:

"CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is related to co-pending U.S. patent [[applications]] application Serial No. 10/458,554, titled "Shiftable Magnetic Shift Register and Method of Using the Same," that issued on December 21, 2004 as U.S. patent No. 6,834,005; and to co-pending U.S. patent application, Serial No. 10/458,147, titled "System and Method for Writing to a Magnetic Shift Register," both of which were filed on June 10, 2003, are assigned to the same assignee as the present invention, and are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety."